REMARKS

Amended claim 89 indicates that the selection of one video program from an electronic program guide (EPG) is received, for example on a receiver, and the EPG is displayed on a display which is coupled to a receiver. In response to the receipt of the EPG selection, a graphical user interface (GUI) is displayed, the GUI is not the same as the EPG and the GUI includes a plurality of video program options from which another video program is to be selected, the video programs to be broadcast at overlapping times. Claim 89 also indicates that another video transmission (which corresponds to the selected other video program) is received, monitored, and stored on the receiver while the receiver is tuned to display one video transmission (which corresponds to the one video program). If the occurrence of an event is detected while monitoring the other video transmission, the receiver will switch from the display of the one transmission to display the other transmission and store the one transmission during the switch. The other transmission is displayed from a predetermined time before the occurrence of the event.

It is respectfully submitted that amended claim 89 and claims dependent therefrom are distinguished over the cited references. For example, the Menard reference merely discloses entering key words representing topics of interest. Thus, Menard fails to disclose an EPG and in response to receiving a selection of one video program from the EPG, displaying a GUI (other that the EPG) from which another video program that is different from the one video program is to be selected, the video transmission for the other video program to be received, monitored, and stored while the receiver is tuned to the video transmission for the one video program for display. See e.g., page 9, lines 11-33, page 10, lines 1-5, page 12, lines 4-8.

The Daniels reference does not cure the deficiency of the Menard reference. Referring to Figures 36 and 37 in the Daniels reference, all that is shown is television program scheduling information from which a television program can be chosen for recording. See e.g., [0165]—[0166]. Thus, Daniels suffers from the same deficiencies as Menard.

Likewise, De Saint Marc does not cure the above deficiency. In fact, De Saint Marc apparently only allows the viewer to enable an alert or not, without specifying other programs the viewer wants to monitor. See e.g., [0048]—[0052].

Lawler also does not cure the deficiency of the afore-mentioned references. That is, Lawler merely provides a program guide that allows a user to set a reminder for a particular

program. See abstract.

Thus, none of the references alone or in combination teach the concept of allowing a user to select a program from an EPG for display, and in response to this selection, select from a different GUI another program that will be broadcast, at least in part, at the same time as the program selected from the EPG so that the other program (selected from the GUI) can be received, monitored (for an event), and stored while the user is tuned to the program selected from the EPG. For at least these reasons, the claims are believed to be distinguished over the art

cited in the Office action.

Under a similar analysis, independent claims 99 and 107 and respective dependent claims are also believed to be distinguished over the art cited in the Office action.

In view of the amendments to the claims, the examiner is requested to reconsider the 35 U.S.C. § 112 rejection of claim 100.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance. The Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested.

The commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504 (ITL.0319US).

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